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Ernst Heinz, et al.

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For: NOVEL METHOD FOR THE GENERATION  
AND SELECTION OF TRANSGENIC  
LINSEED/FLAX PLANTS

Examiner: Helmer, Georgia L.

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

MS RCE  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Amendment is filed in response to the December 28, 2004 Final Office Action and the November 22, 2005 Advisory Action in the above-identified application. This Amendment is filed with a Request for Continuing Examination.

**A Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on June 28, 2005 and have petitioned concurrently herewith to extend the time for response for five months, from August 28, 2005 up to and including January 30, 2006, and have paid the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(3). Thus, this response is timely filed.